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The Museum has just learned of the sudden death of Dr. Jacob Hirsch of 30 West 54th Street, New York. Dr. Hirsch, the world's most outstanding dealer in Egyptian and Classical Art, had left for Europe on his usual buying trip. Although past his eightieth year he still retained vitality and vigor. He died instantly of a heart attack on the street near Hotel Meurice in Paris where he lived.

Dr. Hirsch had long been a devoted friend of the Museum. He had contributed substantially to the Building Fund and had annually given special funds to the Museum. Many of the finest Egyptian reliefs, Classical bronzes and ceramics, as well as other European sculptures, had been secured from him. He gave an Egyptian relief in 1930 and a Greek onoike. A loyal and trusted friend, he had been on a forty day motor trip in Sicily and hoped to meet Mr. Milliken in Paris in October.